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 SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL ACTION ON RAS BANAS SUPPLEMENTAL
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1. ON MAY 29 THE HOUSE MILCON APPROPRIATIONS
 SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTED OUT TO THE FULL COMMITTEE ITS
 RECOMMENDATION OF A \$49 MILLION SUPPLEMENTAL FOR THE U.S.
 PORTION OF THE IMPROVEMENTS AT RAS BANAS. THE FULL
 COMMITTEE IS SCHEDULED TO MEET ON JUNE 10. THERE ARE
 INDICATIONS THAT APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN JAMIE
 WHITTEN WILL NOT HOLD SEPARATE HEARINGS ON THE MILCON
 SUPPLEMENTAL REQUESTS; IF NOT, THESE REQUESTS, INCLUDING
 THAT FOR RAS BANAS, COULD BE MARKED UP BY THE FULL
 COMMITTEE BEFORE THE JUNE 29 RECESS.

2. IN THE SENATE, APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN
 ROBERT KASTEN HAS NOT DECIDED DEFINITELY BUT MAY NOT HOLD
 HEARINGS ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL REQUESTS EITHER. IF HE DOES
 NOT, THE SUPPLEMENTAL PACKAGE COULD REACH THE SENATE
 FLOOR BEFORE THE RECESS BEGINNING AUGUST 13. OTHERWISE,
 FINAL APPROVAL WOULD BE POSTPONED UNTIL SEPTEMBER. SHULTZ

END OF MESSAGE

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